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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
ART UNIT: 3731**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF 29 MAY 2007
(37 CFR §1.116)**

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Following is a Response to the Final Office Action dated May 29, 2007. This Response is accompanied by a concurrently-filed Request for Continued Examination.

Petition for Extension of Time to Respond

The period for response is hereby extended THREE month(s) to expire November 29, 2007 by this Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. A PTO-2038 charge authorization for the appropriate petition fee of \$525 (37 CFR §1.17) accompanies this Response.

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